

1455. Ryan (Kathleen): Holes and flaws in medieval Irish manuscripts.

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[1.] Introduction; [2.] The structure of skin; [3.] The preparation of parchment; [4.] Disease and environment; [5.] Examination of parchment [examines flaws in five RIA MSS: Cathach of St. Columba, Lebor na hUidre, Leabhar Breac, Book of Lecan and Book of Fermoy]; [6.] Age and size of animals; [7.] Herd management; [8.] Cost of production; [9.] Position and size of flaws; [10.] Discussion.

*Classifications:*

- B 2.1: Manuscripts: General and various

*Indexes:*

Manuscript Sources:

- Dublin, Royal Irish Academy, 12 R 33 [The Cathach of St. Columba]
- Dublin, Royal Irish Academy, 23 E 25 (1229) [Lebor na hUidre]
- Dublin, Royal Irish Academy, 23 E 29 (1134) [Book of Fermoy]
- Dublin, Royal Irish Academy, 23 P 16 (1230) [An Leabhar Breac]
- Dublin, Royal Irish Academy, 23 P 2 (535) [Book of Lecan]